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Chairman Ajit Pai
Federal Communications Commission
455 12th Street, SW
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Dear Chairman Pai,

I am writing today in strong opposition to the proposal set forth by the Federal Communications Commission under MB Docket 05-311, regarding the funding of Public Access Television.

As a State Representative in Massachusetts, representing the 1st Norfolk District consisting of the city of Quincy and the town of Randolph, I'm proud to stand in support of the valuable Public Access Television organizations that bring quality programming to my constituents. I work closely with both Quincy Access Television and with Randolph Community TV, and have seen first-hand the importance of the programming they provide. The individuals who work at and run these organizations are top-notch professionals, and their hard work is evident in the quality of our local Public, Education, and Government channels.

I urge you to reject the proposed changes to the funding of community and municipal public access television stations in the best interest of an informed and safe general public. Community television is essential for residents, especially the senior population, to stay connected and informed on local government, community events, educational programs, and many other additional topics that are not available anywhere else.

Public Access Television in Quincy, Randolph, and across Massachusetts and the entire United States is a place where all facets of a community come together. In my district, QATV and RCTV are major factors in our society and a key contributor to the fabric of our community. The proposals set forth will not only have devastating effects on Public Access Television, but will be detrimental to our entire population.

I urge you to consider the comments you have received from tens of thousands of individuals and organizations who know the benefit of Public Access Television, and reject these proposed changes to its funding.

Sincerely,

Bruce J. Ayers
State Representative